(c) what is the procedure adopted in deploying Army in civil areas and what is the authority under whose jurisdiction the Army functions after the deployment;

(d) what are the details of places where army was deployed during the last three years and this year till date and reasons for such deployment;

(e) whether Government intend to minimise the frequent deployment of Army for civil purposes; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Army is generally deployed for maintenance of law & order, maintenance of essential services and for natural and other calamities such as earthquakes, floods etc. and for any other assistance which the civil authorities may require. The procedure for deployment has been laid down in a classified document details of which cannot be disclosed.

(d) Information is being collected and will be laid on Table of the House.

(e) and (f) Instructions have been issued from time to time to minimise the deployment of army for civil purposes.

Move for greater Nepal

2943. SHRI G. G. SWELL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the Press reports regarding an incipient movement for 'Greater Nepal' that will enfold Sikkim, Darjeeling Hills, the Dooars and parts of Bhutan into Nepal;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government have been apprised by the Chief Minister of Sikkim and Chairman of the Darjeeling Hill Council about its implication;

(c) whether Government have identified the groups and forces behind the movement; and

(d) whether Government are taking any steps to deal with the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (d) The Government are aware of the Press reports on the subject matter. A communication from Shri Subash Ghising, President of the GNLF expressing anxiety at such reported moves was also received in thtis context. There is, however, no confirmed information regarding the reported move for the creation of a "Greater Nepal".

शिरोमणि गुरुद्वारा प्रबंधक समिति के चुनाव

2944. डा. रत्नाकर पाण्डेय : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार शिरोमणि गुरुद्वारा प्रबंधक समिति (अमृतसर) के चुनाव कराने का विचार रखती है ; और यदि हां, तो कब तक ; और

(ख) ये चुनाव कब से नहीं हुये हैं तथा इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम. एम. जेकब) : (क) और (ख) शिरोमणि गुरूद्वारा प्रबंधक समिति के चुनाव सामान्यत: मई, 1984 में होने थे, परन्तु विभिन्न कारणों से चुनाव नहीं हो सके । अब पंजाब में आम चुनाव शीघ्र ही होने वाले हैं, सरकार का विचार है कि शिरोमणि गरूद्वारा प्रबंधक समिति के चुनाव कराने के बारे में राज्य सरकार द्वारा उसके बाद विचार किया जा सकता है ।